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TAGS: IR, SO, US

SUBJECT:POSSIBLE IRANIAN AID TO SOMALIA

REFS: (1) TEHRAN 5960

(2) TEHRAN 6978

(3) TEHRAN 7034

1. AUTHORIZATION SOUGHT IN REFTELS CANNOT BE GIVEN UNTIL  
KEY POLICY DECISIONS MADE AND VARIOUS LEGAL STEPS TAKEN  
HERE. AS ITEMS INVOLVED IN PROPOSED TRANSFER PROBABLY WERE  
FIRST GIVEN TO IRAN UNDER MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, LAW  
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REQUIRES--AMONG OTHER THINGS--PRESIDENT'S CONSENT TO TRANS-  
FER. A DECISION IN THIS REGARD WILL FOLLOW CLARIFICATION  
OF OVERALL US ARMS SALES POLICY TOWARD SOMALIA, NOW UNDER  
HIGH-LEVEL CONSIDERATION.

2. SUGGEST EMBASSY INFORM GOI THAT USG AUTHORIZATION OF  
PROPOSED TRANSFER HINGES UPON NUMBER OF LEGAL QUESTIONS WHICH

ARE UNDER URGENT STUDY AND THAT WE WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO  
RESPOND TO ITS REQUEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. CHRISTOPHER

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